INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY HARRY F. SMITH HARRINGTON & SMITH LLP 4 RESEARCH DRIVE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE SHELTON, CT 06484-6212 INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY (PCT Rule 43bis.1) 17 DEC 2004 Date of mailing (day/month/year) Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below 873.0158.U1(WO) International filing date (day/month/year) Priority date (day/month/year) International application No. 05 September 2003 (05.09.2003) 06 August 2004 (06.08.2004) International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC IPC(7): G06F 13/00 and US Cl.: 709/227, 219, 249 Applicant NOKIA CORPORATION DUE DATE PAPER DATED 1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: MSG PT Box No. I Basis of the opinion APPEAL Box No. II **Priority** Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Box No. III Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial Box No. V applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement Box No. VI Certain documents cited Certain defects in the international application Box No. VII DEC 2 0 2004 Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application 2. FURTHER ACTION HARRINGTON & SMITH, LLP If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered. If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later. For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220. 3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220. Authorized offic∉ Name and mailing address of the ISA/ US Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Viet Vu Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Telephone No. 703-305-9600

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion				
1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.				
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement				
1. Statement				
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-26	YES	
	Claims	NONE	NO	
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	NONE	YES	
	Claims	1-26	NO .	
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-26	YES	
	Claims	NONE	NO	

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-26 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Williams et al, U.S. patent Application Publication No. 2002/0133600.

Williams discloses a system and method for establishing communications between a mobile station and IP network comprising:

a) a mobile station (10, fig. 4) comprising a memory and an application for storing data of transport quality parameters (QoS), and a transmitter for sending a request of data service with at least one quality parameter (see page 3, par. 35),

b) a first node (15, fig. 4) for receiving the request and determining whether a new flow/session request that satisfies the required quality parameter can be supported between the mobile station and the first node and for sending a reply to the mobile station (see page 5, par. 48-49),

c) a second node (16, fig. 4) for receiving a second request sent from the first node and for authorizing the service request (see page 5, par. 52).

Williams does not explicitly teach that mobile station request includes a service identifier and a flow identifier. It is noted that such identifiers are commonly used in the art to identify particular service and/or data flow. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to recognize the use of such service flow/session identifiers in mobile request in Williams because it would have enabled proper communications between the mobile station and the access network node (see page 3, par. 35).